GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has not increased levy sugar margin for the last eleven years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Civil Supplies Corporation of Rajasthan with regard to reimbursement of sugar subsidy;

(d) if so, the details and the current status thereof; and

(e) the time by which the Government is likely to reimburse the remaining amount of subsidy to Rajasthan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAOSAHEB PATIL DANVE)

(a) & (b): The levy sugar margins for wholesalers have been increased from Rs. 85.97 per quintal for the year 1998-99 to Rs. 209.61 per quintal for the year 2011-12. However, the levy sugar margins for retailers have been decreased from Rs. 18.73 per quintal for the year 1998-99 to Rs. 10.82 per quintal for the year 2011-12. The decrease in the levy sugar margins for retailers is mainly due to realization from empty gunny bag adopted in fixation of margins of all States/UTs.

(c): Yes, Madam

(d) & (e): The Government of Rajasthan has submitted final sugar subsidy bill for the quarter January to March, 2014 and April to June, 2014 on 02.12.2014 for reimbursement. The Government of Rajasthan has been requested to furnish the utilization certificate for the subsidy released for the quarter July to September, 2013 vide letter dated 19.09.2014. They have not submitted utilization certificate in original so far.